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On Oct. 31, 1965 the Society dedicated a marker to commemorate the historic Stone House on W. Center St., Fayetteville.

The house was built about 1845 by Judge David Walker who sold it in the 1850s to Stephen K. Stone. The house was struck by a cannonball from Fagan's Confederate battery in October 1864.

Stephen K. Stone and his wife, Amanda Brodie Stone, were public-spirited citizens. They donated land and money to Fayetteville's City Hospital, to the Methodist Church, and to the town's various educational enterprises.

The picture at the left shows the present front (north) porch of the Stone House.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen K. Stone on the front porch of their historic home. He was an early Fayetteville merchant and built several brick buildings on the Square that are still standing.

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THE STONE HOUSE
This house was built in 1845 by Judge David
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HISTORIC MARKER AT THE STONE HOUSE

This photo shows the marker that the Washington County Historical Society placed in front of the Stone House on October 31, 1965.

Shown are Amanda Stone Hilton, great-granddaughter of Stephen K. Stone, and W. J. Lemke of the historical society who was the speaker.

(Photo by Mrs. Pat Donat of the Northwest Arkansas Times)

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BEGINNING OUR 16th YEAR

The Washington County Historical Society was organized in September 1950. This current issue of FLASHBACK completes the 15th volume of our publication. Our January number (1966) will be Volume XVI No.1.

In January 1950 I sent out a form letter to 50 persons who, in my opinion, would be interested in preserving the history of Washington County. I enclosed a return reply postcard, and got 22 of the 50 cards back, with promise of support.

Ten of these 22 are no longer with us: Jobelle Holcombe, Roberta Fulbright, Hayden McIlroy, W. S. Campbell, Buena McKinnon, V.L. Jones, H. D. Cummings, Witt Carter, Fount Richardson, C.C.Yarrington. I have the cards they returned and their messages were encouraging:

Miss Holcombe wrote: "It's a fine idea."
Mrs. Fulbright: "I'm weak but willing."
W. S. Campbell: "I have great admiration for you and those whom you seek to enlist."
W Witt Carter: "Don't know if I can help much, but your idea is fine."
C.C.Yarrington: "The experts are de-bunking too many of our national heroes and builders of American history."

Besides the ten charter members who have died and the five who have lost interest, there are still seven beginners who have stayed with us all the way (15 years): Powell M. Rhea, Lyle Bryan, Roy A. Scott, J.D. Eagle, P.R.Green, Wes Gordon, Lessie S. Read. Lest someone challenge any of these first helpers, I will say that I have their cards.And expect their checks for 1966 membership dues.

THE LAST CHOO-CHOO

The last north-bound passenger train from Fayetteville (to Monett) left the depot on West Dickson street on Friday evening, Sept. 17. The last south-bound train (to Fort Smith) left the Fayetteville depot the following morning (Sept. 18, 1965, at 5 o'clock). No more passenger trains in or out of Fayetteville. The trains have done their duty for 80 years. Now it's up to bus and air travel. We've come a long way from the ox-teams of the pioneers. We are going to travel even faster during the next ten years.

I did not ride the last Frisco train out of Fayetteville. But I sure did ride the last sleeping car to Little Rock. I've forgotten the date but I remember that there was only one other passenger on the Pullman. It was Dr. J. C. Futrall, president of the University. And I couldn't have asked for a better traveling companion. We conversed until we reached VanBuren, where the MoPac picked up our sleeper for the run to Little Rock.

-- WJL

Former Hearst Editor Says Thanks

A flickering coal-oil lamp cast only a feeble light at my birth. Water that washed me was lifted from a cistern. On that 24th day of March in the year 1881, man was earthbound.

On March 24, 1965, I watched television record photos taken of the moon at close range -- another FIRST for my beloved country. Most inventions to make what we call "Modern Living" possible were recorded after my birth. Yet we know that man had become civilized many centuries before that.

We know that the first recorded date in history was 4241.B.C. That was when brilliant Egyptian astronomers introduced the calendar we use today. The first change on that wonderful calendar was made by Julius Caesar. He insisted that the month of July, named for him, have 31 days. You know that Augustus Caesar would not let the month named for him be shorter. After he conquered "All Gaul", Julius Caesar destroyed the army and reputation of Pompey the Great. He thereby became undisputed master of the Mediterranean World, plus England in the Atlantic.

He wandered into Alexandria, Egypt. There he met the Siren of the Nile. The lovely 21-year-old Cleopatra cast a spell upon the famous soldier who was then in his fifties. She transformed Caesar from a conqueror to a captive. Caesar was amazed when he learned of the correct Egyptian calendar. He took it to the Eternal City, where the Roman calendar had gotten so far out of line that November was arriving in August!

Most of man's victories over disease have been won since my birth. You read great authorities on Civilization's twin-birth -- one twin near the Euphrates River, where it empties into the Persian Gulf, the other beside the River Nile. You study the Golden Age of Pericles in Greece that gave us the basis for our teaching of philosophy and drama, that produced the Parthenon, the world's masterpiece of architectural sculpture. You follow the Rennaissance in Eruope, after the Dark Ages, you marvel at the sublime music and divine art it willed to the human race. You revel in the immortal literature created by Omar Khayyam, Cervantes and Shakespeare.

And maybe you wonder as I do why so gifted an animal as man waited until the 20th century to shake off his shackles and soar high above the clouds. Now the tempo of man's progress has hit a dazzling pace. Man is reaching for the stars.

What of the future? Wise men know that no human -- not even Leonardo da Vinci, "Most gifted member of the human race to date" -- has ever called on more than a fraction of his mental potential -- so limits to human achievement are not in sight.

Who doubts that Cancer will join Yellow Fever, Smallpox, Malaria, Diphtheria in the graveyard where man buried the arch killers after their execution by Science? My imagination reels as I try to visualize what a baby, born healthy today, will see when he reaches my age.

Of this I am sure -- nothing will be invented so precious as friends! No area will be discovered that has warmer-hearted friends than those in Fayetteville and vicinity who made an old man very happy on his 84th birthday. I echo Red Skelton: "May God bless!"

-- Ed Vandeventer,
E.Maple St., Fayetteville, Ark.

STORY OF HICKORY FLAT SCHOOL, 1885-1956

by M. H. Hudson

Most of our rural schools have served their time and purpose and are gone. The old buildings with their echoes and memories (and secrets) have been torn down, or moved, or burned. A very few are just sitting there. Some, as at Hickory Flat, have been converted to other uses.

But what about the people who were a part of these schools in their day? What about Professor Barr? Miss Sanders? Miss Bessie? Gracie McCollom? Others? Where are they now? Look closely, and you will find their paths going many ways.

A search of records shows that Hickory Flat School, like thousands of others, was needed and came into existence in the pioneer days of slow transportation as the country around filled up. This particular school was built in the northeast corner of Washington County, somewhat later than most of the other schools in this area, because of two factors: (1) This rugged country along the lower reaches of War Eagle River was homesteaded later, and (2) a very good school, the War Eagle Academy, had been in operation not far away at the milling village of War Eagle since before the controversy about the county boundary there had been settled.

But as more people moved in, a road was built to connect points along the river to outside routes. The people along that road found they had common interests and purposes. They began to think and work for community improvements. An indication of this concerted activity is found in a copy of an old petition of 1884, in which the early residents asked for improvements to their road. In this document, preserved by one of the families who lived there, the route of the road through Hickory Flat is fairly well defined. More important, names of the people along the road that year are preserved. Here are the signatures as they appear on the petition, with probable given names added in parentheses:

B.W. (Burrell) Holmesley
J.H. (John Henry) Gregg
J.W. (John Wesley) Carrel
Warren C. Clardy (?)
T.T.(Thomas) Black
R.G.(George) Morris
D.A.(Alfred) Morris
J.[illegible].(William) Morris
B.L. (Ben) Danley
C.(Charles) Miller
A.(Albert) Boyd
William Boyd
James C. Foust
James _____

J.T. (John Thomas) Hutchens
J.M. (James Monroe) Quillin
J.F.(Joseph Fountain) Quillin
J.D.Savage, Justice of Peace
Washington Gunn
J.F.(John) Barr
H. T. Hatfield
J. (Jesse) Rolls
Thomas Sharp
Albert Hines
Lewis Clifton
H.T. Momson (?)
R.S. McHuffie

John Tyall
J.J.Slemmons (?)
J. B. Shannon
J. B. Sanders
J.M.(James)Sanders
Jim Bragg
A. J. Johnson
J.H. Buckley
H.L. Morrison
G. W. Buckley

This old petition states simply: "Petition for repairs to county road, commencing at or near Blue Springs on Brush Creek and run in the direction of Blackburn's Mill on War Eagle, to terminate at the county line near the former residence of the Widow Mary Macon on War Eagle."

The Blue Springs mentioned here is said to be near the mouth of Brush Creek, which empties into White River just south of the bridge over that stream on Highway 68 between Springdale and Spring Valley. The road needing repairs ran northeastward from the spring toward War Eagle village, where Blackburn's Mill was located.

In the year following this petition, sentiment to build a school to serve the needs of the people along the road began to take form. Two of the residents of this route, John T. Hutchens and Ben Danley, were members of the board of directors of War Eagle Academy. One of these, John T. Hutchens, was particularly interested in establishing a school nearer the center of the growing community and of course nearer his home. Compared to the schools he had known in old and stable Virginia, he felt the 4½ miles to War Eagle was too far for his children to go for their "3 R's". So he initiated another petition, this one addressed to the county court at Fayetteville, asking for a new school.

As a result, on July 15, 1885, the first official act to establish a school at Hickory Flat occurred. On that day the county court, sitting as a body, issued this order, titled "Hickory Flat # 136.":

> "Comes on this day the petition of sundry citizens of Washington County praying the Court to grant an order establishing a new Common School District embracing the following territory, towit: In Township 18 North, Range 28 West, Sections 15, 16, 21 & 22, the west half of 14 & 23, the northwest quarter of 26 and the north half of 27 and 28.
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> "Abd tge Court being well advised in the premises is of the opinion that the prayer of said petition should be granted. It is therefore by the Court ordered that the lands and territory as described above shall constitute the territory belonging to and embraced in said District No.136 until further ordered by this Court."

Two weeks later John T. Hutchens received the following letter pertaining to the school project from the office of the county Clerk at Fayetteville, dated July 30, 1885:

> J.T.Hutchens, Esq.: The number of your school district is 136. Put up your notices for your school meetings. Elect your directors -- one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. Bring in your returns as soon as you hold your meetings. Have some Justice of the Peace to swear your Judges and Clerks. Yours, J.B.Shannon."

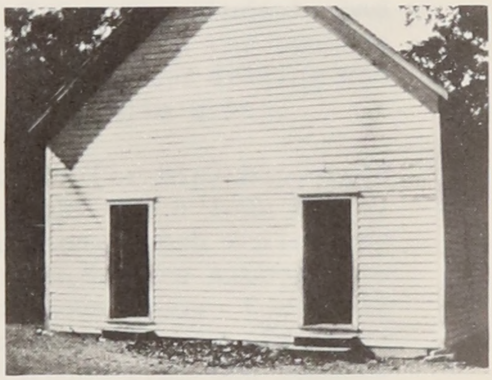
The next week John T. Hutchens posted the following notice in various places in the community:

> NOTICE -- New District Meeting
>
> There will be a call for school meeting at 2 o'clock p.m. for Hickory Flat in Barn Hollow above Jim Miller's on War Eagle. -- J.T.Hutchens."

Events for establishing the school had gone smoothly until now. But at this point a series of delays occurred. Disagreement over a site for the school building caused a division in the community, and the death the following year of the main proponent of the school, John T. Hutchens, left the fate of the project in doubt.

HICKORY FLAT SCHOOL

Hickory Flat School, Nov. 6, 1905
Teacher, in doorway, is "Met" Sanders. Girl holding the slate is the teacher in the group below.



Hickory Flat 1915
The building was repaired. Note picture at left, and picture below.

Hickory Flat School Group 1914
The teacher, in dark dress in back row, is Bessie Coger. List of students on facing page.

50 Years Later
Hickory Flat Missionary Baptist Church 1965. "A change in purpose."

It was 1889 before permanent site of the school was agreed upon. That year Andrew J. Tillman and his wife Martha deeded to the school district an acre of their land on a little knoll beside a branch in the south portion of Section 22. The deed was witnessed by Isaac E. Craig, a Justice of the Peace, and C. W. Foust, on Oct. 14, 1889, and was recorded two years later by J.P.Scott, recorder. No reason for the delay in recording the completed instrument is known.

A one-room school building was erected. It was a small building, furnished simply. A wood-burning stove sat in the middle and two rows of benches, made of rough lumber, were along each side of the room. The girls sat on one side and the boys on the other -- except when a boy was being punished and had to "sit with the girls". The students had no desks; their books and writing materials were kept on the benches beside them. Two students occupied each bench. Writing and drawing was done on slates, which the pupils held on their laps while using.

At the "front" of the room the teacher sat at her (or his) home-made desk facing the classroom. In front of her desk was a long bench. Groups of students alternated in occupying this long bench while "reciting". Children not sitting on the recitation bench were supposed to disregard the activity there and engage in serious study for their next assignment. Disturbances -- accidental or otherwise -- from the rear of the room brought almost certain discipline from the teacher for this breach of classroom etiquette.

School terms in those early days started about August 1st and ran for three or four months. The terms were abbreviated due to severe winter weather and lack of funds. Teachers were paid $25 to $33 per month and usually were boarded by school patrons. Anyone, almost, could get a license to teach if he or she had completed the subjects to be taught. It was customary for the teacher to spend a night in the home of each of her pupils during the school term.

At first, Webster's "Blue Back Speller" was used for instruction. In later years McGuffey Readers and Spellers were introduced and were regarded as quite an improvement. Still later, under encouragement and guidance of William E. Halbrook, state agent for rural schools, uniform standards were introduced and both the curriculum and teacher qualifications were up-graded. The sport of "running the teacher off" gradually lost favor and schools became accepted as a necessity rather than a Yankee evil.

The "Golden Years" of the rural school, often eulogized in poetry and song, came into full flower then. More than half the school children of the nation were enrolled in rural and small-town schools. Those dedicated people in the teaching profession were learning successfully to cope with parents, wood-stoves, and cold-biscuit lunches. The rural school became the unifying force and the stabilizing influence in its community. Under the genuine sympathy and steady encouragement of a Miss Coger, Miss Mayes, or Mr. Donaldson, students found little cause for stomach ulcers. From the signal to "take up books" until the command at the end of the day to "turn...rise...pass", the work-load was steady and sometimes difficult. But almost always it was a happy school -- a pleasant room to be in, to learn in, and to remember.

Some of the best-remembered teachers at Hickory Flat are:

Wilmet "Met" Sanders	Charles Donaldson
Dan Robinson	Tom Cox
Idora Holleman	Norene Plumlee
Annie Lewis	Tom Sullins
Mr. Pigman	Price Williams
Humphrey Barr	Emanda Ervin
Jessie Foust	

These are not all of the well-remembered teachers. More will be named later. No official list of teachers who have served at Hickory Flat has been located, so several may be omitted here with regrets.

At Hickory Flat in the early years there was no source of water for school use nearer than Quillin Springs, a half-mile away. For nearly 30 years water was "toted" from the spring by pupils who were allowed to take turns at this chore. Going to the springs to fetch water was often quite an expedition, particularly if the teacher was not too strict about the amount of time needed to go and return.

But there came aday when the water-fetching routine was fraught with more danger than usual. The school had a "mad dog scare." The pupils were warned to be alert for a rabid dog on the loose. So, the bucket ran dry and the situation quickly approached the desperate. The teacher dared not send even the largest boys for water. At last, she resolved the dilemma by going to the springs herself -- armed with a baseball bat - and taking the entire frightened student body with her.

Not long after that (about 1915) the school directors decided to dig a water well for the school. The project was a success, and ended the adventuresome Jack and Jill trips up the mountain hollow for water.

Hickory Flat teachers found other occasions that tested their resourcefulness. Sometimes a big rain would send the branch beside the school on a rise so that the pupils could cross it to go home only by riding across one at a time on the teacher's horse. On other occasions the teacher was called on for first aid to injured pupils, who were five miles by wagon from the nearest doctor. This happened once when Isom Means was running to retrieve a ball while playing Town Ball and fell into a thicket where a stub pierced his abdomen.

There was the night at a social gathering at the school house when someone cut Roy George across the stomach with a hunting knife and his intestines fell out. The teacher helped stuff his insides back in and took him to a doctor, where more than 200 stitches were needed to sew up the wound. (Roy lived a couple of years after this, then suddenly died.)

On the lighter side, there was the bat who came before lunch and stayed two days, clinging to the wall just out of reach. Dogs and other pets came to school with their young masters and created the usual diversions. During recitation there was the hurrying girl who counted to "forty-eleven", and the shy girl whose garter broke and coiled onthe floor at her feet as she stood mortified before the class.

On one occasion Win Parsley took a mirror and flashed sunlight into the schoolroom until the teacher was almost frantic.Win and his mother, a widow, lived across a narrow meadow from the school house. Someone got even with Win at a candy breaking at the McCollom home by putting an egg in his coat pocket. When he broke it, it was a mess.

One teacher at the school required the pupils to answer roll call by reciting a verse of Scripture. This practice took a bad turn when one girl solemnly quoted: "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you die."

Jack Coger, when he was a student at Hickory Flat, sometimes carried the traditional big red apple to school. But instead of giving it to the teacher he gave it to a classmate, Ruby Gibson. She agreed to marry him, finally.

Atlas Macon and Marvin Clardy had quite a fight at school one day and the teacher whipped both of them for it. Marvin's father, France Clardy, "took the teacher to court" for it, and went to court himself wearing a hat with a rattlesnake skin for a hatband.

Recess times were happy times, with the boys playing in the front yard of the school and the girls in the back. They were not allowed to play together. The girls enjoyed making play-houses in a corner of the yard beside the old rail fence, while the boys mostly played baseball or ante-over. Sometimes the teacher would let them go into the woods to pick up hickory nuts fallen there.

During almost the entire history of Hickory Flat School, members of one prominent family played an important part in its story. From West Virginia by way of Kansas and Huntsville, Ark., the Coger family moved to the Spring Valley area about the time Hickory Flat School was being established. In 1892, L.A. (Luther Asa) Coger bought the home and farm previously owned by John T. Hutchens, and like his predecessor, he became the principal patron of the school. (In later years he acquired several hundred additional acres formerly owned by John Quillin.)

For many years L.A.Coger was a director of the school. His son Jack served in this capacity several years, likewise. One of L.A.'s cousins, Dora Coger, was an early teacher there, followed by L.A.'s nephew, Asa Coger. Miss Liza Mayes was teaching there when L.A. married her in 1904. (His first wife had died the previous year.)

All of L.A.'s children got their schooling at Hickory Flat, and later two of his daughters taught there. The first of these was Bessie Coger, who taught four terms, then went to Texas to work in an office for 40 years. After Bessie left Arkansas, her sister Willie was born, grew up, and taught at Hickory Flat. Finally came a granddaughter of L.A.'s, Jaqueline Coger, to teach the last term of school ever held in the well-worn old building.

The directors of the school were responsible for its continuance, of course, and several directors who served with the Cogers are remembered. These are:

Richard McCollom	John Means	Tom George
France Clardy	Jones Macon	Bruce Phillips
Jack Gibson	Jim Means	Ollie Lewis
Sterling Jones	J. D. Clark	Joe Bean
Tom Kinsey		

During World War II there was a shortage of teachers and HickoryFlat pupils were sent to Evergreen School. Some of the parents were unhappy about this situation and hard feelings arose. When teachers became available again, classes were resumed at Hickory Flat.

But in 1948 the people of Arkansas voted to eliminate all school districts that did not have as many as 350 school-age children. This act required the county school boards to annex all small districts to an existing district or to organize the remaining areas into county districts with a board of directors to operate the schools in an area.

Hickory Flat, always one of the "little schools", was quickly finished and done. The County Board of Education of Washington County on June 11, 1949, placed District #136 in Zone 1 of Washington County School District #20. Last directors of the school, Jack Coger, Bruce Phillips and Sterling Jones, were relieved of their task. An election was held to select a board to operate the new district, and the new #20 board voted to move Hickory Flat grade school children to Berkshed School and to furnish transportation for them to that school. A station wagon was acquired for the ten children in this group. Students in high school were transferred to Huntsville High School in Madison County and transportation was supplied them.

With the children gone, the old school sat idle for more than six years, except for an occasional community function or church services. It was beginning to need repairs badly. So, on March 19, 1956, the school board voted to deed the Hickory Flat property to the Missionary Baptist Church. This was done, and the church members dismantled the old school building. In its place they built a gleaming white rural church, complete with belfry, electric lights, double swinging doors. Today it looks exactly as it should -- a sturdy rural church, rooted where stood for many years a worthy rural school.

What about the people of the old school? The students? The teachers? Look in California, in Texas, in Oklahoma, in Fayetteville and Springdale. Some of them still live at Hickory Flat. But the old country schools like Hickory Flat are nearly all gone.

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TWO OLD LETTERS

Through the courtesy of Miss Mary D. Hudgins of Hot Springs we have photostatic copies of two letters written from Washington County by Jacob Mills to infolks in Indiana. One letter is postmarked, by hand, "Boone's Grove, Ark." This postoffice, in the Elkins area, is no longer in existence.

The other letter was mailed in Fayetteville in 1843. The postal rate was 25 cents. Besides the usual family chit-chat, the letters contain such information as prices of produce, description of the Middle Fork valley, and other historical information. We plan to publish them in our next issue. Meanwhile we are doing some research on the Mills clan since that family intermarried with other early Washington County families. We welcome any contributions. And we thank Miss Hudgins for thinking of us when the letters were offered for sale in her HotSprings antique shop. She is a graduate of the University and is a long-time member of our WCHS.

-- WCHS --

SHADY GROVE SCHOOL

Records of the
SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH (Springdale)

4th Installment

April 1866 - On motion and second the Church appointed Bro. Evans Atwood as Standing Clerk.

May 1866 - Opened the door for the reception of members and received Brother and Sister James and Nancy Stapp, Brother and Sister Chism and Arminta Petross, and Sister Agnes Petross by letter, and Brother Michael Summy by experience.

June 1866 - Chose Elder N. F. Goodrich as Moderator for the day. Received Sister Phebe Summy into our Christian fellowship.

July 1866 - Chose Elder Thomas Dodson as Moderator. By the request of Bro. G.H.Loving, the Church grant him and his wife, Mary L. Loving, letters of dismission.

August 1866 - Chose Elder Wm. Mahurin as Moderator. On motion and second, the Church say she will build a log house for her own use and for school house. Committee of three appointed to superintend the building of the house: Eld.John Holcombe and Brothers Hugh Smiley and Evans Atwood, the Committee. The Church agrees to answer a request of Little Flock Church, praying our Ministerial aid with that of our Deacons.

September 1866 - Received Sister Nancy White as a member of our fellowship and a candidate for baptism...Elected Eld. Jno. Holcomb and brothers C. Petross and Evans Atwood as delegates to the Association and appropriated two dollars to assist in printing the Association Minutes....On motion and second, the Church rescind her act of last meeting saying she will build a log-house. The Church say she will build a frame house 24 by 40 feet, 12 ft. high between floors. W. H. Holcomb was added to the building committee.

October 1866 - Elder Wm. Ingram moderator. Received into fellowship Elizabeth Phillips and Sarah White and Bro. H.E.Sims and Sister Elizabeth Sims and sarepta Graham, as candidates for baptism.

November 1866 - Owing to the inclemency of the weather and the want of a suitable place for meeting, the Church failed to meet in conference. Received into membership by letter Elder N.F.Goodrich and Sister Malinda Goodich, and by experience Sister Emily Looper.

January 1867 - Received Sister Ellender C. Smiley by experience.

March 1867 - Appointed Bro. G. Louper to visit Eliza Louper and demand her church letter and report at next meeting.

April 1867 - The Church takes a charge against Eliza Louper for disorderly conduct and excludes her on the same. The Church withdraws the hand of fellowship of Ellen Wilds for joining the Methodists....A. G. Smith appointed doorkeeper for an indefinite term. The Church say that her next meeting commences on Friday and be a communion season.

May 1867 - Bro. Louper reports Eliza Louper's letter destroyed... The Church excludes Black Sister Becky for disorderly conduct.

July 1867 - The Church say she represents herself in the next Association by letter and delegates and through them request the Association to spread a union meeting at Shiloh commencing Friday before the 2nd Sunday in May 1868.

August 1867 - Received Sister Malinda Brown by relation. Grant letters of dismission to Brother & Sister Owens...Appointed Elds. John Holcombe, N. F. Goodrich and Bro. A.G.Smith to bear our letter to the Association, and the Church contributes $3.25 to the Association.

September 1867 - Received Amanda Hunter and John Ingram as members.

October 1867 - Received M.P. Daniel and Millyann Eater and Dr. Ezra Banks into our fellowship...The Church agree to travail (sic) till the next meeting on the ordination of A.G.Smith.

November 1867 - Received Sister Catharine Terry by experience....The Church take up the reference relating to the ordination of A.G.Smith and call for the ordination tomorrow....Sunday morning the Church met and the ordination of A.G.Smith was performed by prayer and the laying on of hands by the following Presbytery: Elds T. Dodson, Jno.Holcomb and N.F.Goodrich and Deacons John Peerson and Steward Tailor...After which the door of the Church was opened and received Silas Holcomb and William H. Holcomb by experience, and Jesse Hock by letter.

December 1867 - The Church release Bro. A.G.Smith from clerkship and appoint Wm. H. Holcomb clerk...Received Selah Butler by experience.

February 1868 - Received Bro. John Peerson and Sister MaryJane Peerson into our Church fellowship and as candidates for baptism, and Sister Mary Dye by letter...The Church say she appoint a committee of two members to visit Sister Polly Barnum in relation to reports that are circulating against her. Brothers M.P.Daniels and James Stapp were appointed...Letters of dismission granted to Henry E. & Elizabeth Simms.

March 1868 - Called for report on Sister Polly Barnum's case. Committee reported no satisfaction obtained. On motion the Church prefers a charge against Sister Polly Barnum for disorderly conduct and using unchristian language. The Church withdraws the hand of fellowship from Polly Barnum on the above charge....Received Bro. John P. Hunter into fellowship, and also received Sister Melvina Miller.

April 1868 - Opened the door of the Church for reception of members and received Elizabeth Killebrew by letter and Bro. Joseph Killebrew by relation....Called for reference -- one found in relation to choice of a Deacon. Bro. Wm. H. Holcomb elected Deacon and will be ordained at next meeting....By motion and second the Church say she objects to the traveling community camping in her church-house....Received into our Church fellowship: Sister Rachel Horton, Bro. Wm. W. Killebrew and Sister Sarah A. Caudle by letter and Bro.Elisha Caudle by relation.

May 1868 - Ordination of a Deacon. The Church say that she invites Elders Wm. Mahurin and Sampson Dodson and the official aid that may be here tomorrow to form the Presbytery for the ordination.....Sister

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Congregation of Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, Springdale, about 1900

Preachers who were members of the Baptist Association and most of whom preached in Washington County. Top row: Goodrich, Ingram, Cowan, Osborne, Lock. Row 2: Gabriel Loving (father of Jessie), James Dodson, Jessie Rieff Loving (my grandfather), Joe Loving. Row 3: Tommy Dodson, Alfred Drake.

Photos courtesy of Marie Graham Liebolt,
34 N.E. 37, Oklahoma City 5, Oklahoma

Sarah Sherrod received into our fellowship....The Church received a request from a compact of brothers and sisters in Benton County Ark., praying our official aid in constituting them into a church. The Church say they grant the request.

according to a previous order of the Church, a Presbytery composed of Elders Wm. H. Mahurin of Little Flock Church, Sampson Dodson holding a letter of dismission from Bethel Church in Lawrence County, Ark., William Ingram of West Fork Church and John Holcomb, Norman Goodrich, and A.G.Smith of Shiloh Church, and Deacons Stewart Taylor of Bethlehem Church and John Peerson of Shiloh Church proceeded to the examination of Brother William H. Holcomb as a Deacon. The Presbytery pronouncing him sound in the faith, the ordination set him apart to the office of Deacon, by prayer and the laying on of hands.

June 1868 - Received Bro. John McLeod and Sister Lucy McLeod by letter.

July 1868 - By request of Sister Tracy Moon, formily (sic) Tracy Baker, the Church grants her a letter of dismission...Received a request from a compact of Brethren on the Middlefork of White River in Washington Co., Ark., praying our official aid to assist in constituing them into a Church on the first Saturday in August 1868.The Church grants the request.

August 1868 - By motion and second the Church say she appoints three trustees to take charge of her deed and house. The ballot resulted in choice of Brothers John Peerson, David Savage and Wm. H. Holcomb.

September 1868 - Received brother John Miller and Sister Mary Miller by relation, also as Deacon and Deaconess.

November 1868 - Received into membership Sister Mary Ann Looney and granted letter of dismission to Sister Mary Dye and Brother Benjamin Graham...By motion and second the Church say she invites Elder Sampson Dodson to visit and preach to her as often as convenient.

December 1868 - The Church appoint a committee of three men to inquire into the validity of certain reports circulating against Brother John Ingram and report at her next meeting. She appoints Brothers John Peerson, Hugh Smiley and Wm.H.Holcomb as such committee.

January 1869 - Inquired for reference and found one in relation to Bro. John Ingram. The Church say she continues the reference and instructs her committee to continue their investigation and report as soon as they think proper....By request of Brother Jonathan Skelton, the Church grants him a letter of dismission.

March 1869 - Called for reference and found one on the January minutes in relation to John Ingram's case. The committee's report wasa letter from Brother Ingram which was read to the Church in which he acknowledged some of the report was true and asked the Church to forgive him of his own and declared some of them to be false. The Church acquit Brother Ingram of the report and return his letter.

Received a request from Bethlehem Church asking her to release Elder N. F. Goodrich from a part of his ministerial service in order that he may take the pastoral care of Bethlehem Church. By motion and second, the Church requests Eld. N.F.Goodrich to take the care of said church.

April 1869 - Received a request from Providence Church asking our official aid to assist them in the ordinance of the Supper. The Church say she grants the request...Received Sister Susan Fitzgerld into our Church membership by experience and as a candidate for baptism....Also received Sister Eliza Ellington by relation.

May 1869 - On motion and second the Church say she will heara letter read, received by Wm. H. Holcomb from BrotherJohn Ingram. The Church say she prefer a charge against Brother Ingram for treating her with contempt in writing to her in such abrupt manner. The Church say she withdraws the hand of fellowship from Brother Ingram on above charge. On motion and second the Church say she appoint Brother A. G. Smith to write to Bro. John Ingram and inform him of her action and demand of him his Church letter.

Received Brother Isaac N. Stafford by experience and as candidate for baptism, and also receive Bro. Leroy McClung and Sister Margaret M. McClung by relation.

August 1869 - Received as members, Brother James Riggins and Sisters Nancy Riggins, Elizabeth Rowland, Elizabeth Childs, Liddy Maxey, Fanny Ward, Jane Ward, Martha Rowland, and Mary Rowland into our Christian fellowship and as candidates for baptism.

Chose Elders John Holcomb, N.F.Goodrich and A.G.Smith and Bro. W.H. Holcomb (in case of failure) as our delegates to the Association.

Received Sisters Elizabeth Daniel and Susan Wolf into our fellowship and Sister Elizabeth Looper, also Sister Rebecca. Also received Martha, a sister of color, into our church fellowship and as a candidate for baptism.

September 1869 - Received Aaron B. Ward and Sisters Rebecca Stafford and Manerva White into our Church fellowship.....By motion and second, the Church say she will not tolerate her members communing with other denominations. The Church say she will add this article to her Rules of Decorum.

After preaching, opened the door for the reception of members and received Brother Joseph White and Brother John Quillin and Sister Caroline Quillin by letter, and granted Sister Louisa Jane Sharp, formerly Louisa Jane Loving, a letter of dismition.

October 1869 - Chose Elder John Clements as Moderator for the day. Received Bro. Washington Biggs into our fellowship. By motion and second the Church say she liberates Bro.Washington Biggs to exercise in a public way as he may think proper, wherever God in his Providence may cast his lot.

The Church say she appoint a committee of two men (Brothers Summy & Daniels) to visit Sister Sizemore in relation to reports that are circulating against her.

The Church withdraws the right hand of fellowship from Martha, a sister of color, on certain reports about her taking money not her own.

Received a request from Illinois Church asking our official aid to assist in the ordination of a Deacon at her church in this month. The request granted.

-- Shiloh ---

(The record of Shiloh Church will continue in our next issue, beginning with 1870.)

SKETCHES FROM THE GRAND JURY REPORT OF 1887

by Lloyd McConnell, Circuit Clerk, Washington County

The Grand Jury of 1887 had many humorous happenings come before it. The jury was composed of W.F.Dowell as foreman, Elijah Webb, Felix Kimbrough, J. M. Rollins, Samuel P. Shreves, C. M. Henry, J. R. Harris, A.E.Carney, S.D.Gilbreath, T.W.Frost, E.Z.Davies, R.W.Parks, F.M.Smith, James Bragg, B.F.Smith and N.Spivey.

J. D. Moore complained that several of his sheep left home, and in a few days six of them came back sheared. He back-tracked them and found the rest of his sheep in his neighbor's lot. They were also being clipped. The good neighbor gave him the wool and returned his sheep.

Two men were indicted for throwing giant powder into White River to get a mess of fish.

Noah Hoover was charged with disturbing a singing class by twice plunging his pocket knife through the drum on the heating stove.

One citizen reported that he "saw Jim Moore and James Binks run a horse race about two miles south of Fayetteville on the old wire road near Thomas Carter's place." It was agin the law to drag-race with horses.

George Evans testified that he purchased two pints of lemon ginger from Felix Kimbrough about the 24th of June, and W.J.Ferguson stated that he too bought some lemon ginger from Mr.Kimbrough and it made him drunk. (Mr.Kimbrough was a member of the Grand Jury.)

J.R.Collins and J.M.Talley came before the Grand Jury to report that a stable horse (stallion) was running loose near the Thornsberry Camp Ground and that it was of unlawful age. It was 4 or 5 years old. There was a meetin' going on at the camp ground.

T. W. Antler reported that he saw Peter Dent sell some calico on the Sunday before Christmas and saw Elijah Guthrie pay for it.

Students in the local schools met with various kinds of punishment for their misdemeanors, as is shown by the complaint of Mr.Crider who stated that G. S. White whipped a child unmercifully at West Fork by cutting the blood out of him with a dogwood switch as big as my middle finger at the big end. Mr. White will be remembered by some of his former pupils.

David Walker came in for a share of chastisement and reported the instrument used was a brown leather strap and it caused bruises and stripes on his legs.

Charles Volmer swore that he was corrected by a Mr. Gray in Fayetteville school and the instrument used was a green rawhide, applied with great force, the effect of which he would like to show to the Grand Jury. He exhibited several stripes and bruises on his lower limbs.

Peter Buxton was charged with whipping his wife with a board about two feet long.

Charles Skelton had a bit rougher deal. He testified that his teacher corrected him "by striking him a blow on the eyebrow which knocked him down, he was kicked twice on the hips and forced to get up, then was knocked down again, and slapped several times while he was down." This occurred on the playground at the Fayetteville school. This might be classified as pounding in an education.

Along the lighter side of Grand Jury business, James Simpkins was charged with forging an order for two pounds of bacon at the C.A.Mulholland place, and one citizen was indicted for scaring two children returning home from Sunday School.

W. P. Little told the jury that on the 12th day of October 1889, he and Isaac Barker had a quarrel and he ordered Mr. Barker off his place at least three times, and Mr.Barker called him a low-down lousy pup.

Thomas Dark complained that about the 30th day of October 1888, he was passing Sidwell's Shop and he came to the door and said "God damn, I can whip you." We haven't been on good terms for two or three years now.

Barney McConnell was reported tothe Grand Jury for hunting squirrels on Sunday. He swore he was a Seventh Day Adventist, and could hunt on Sunday.

There was a complaint by one man who stated that he was at Rock Springs church at a meeting, and one Cater Thurman was there and while the preacher was praying Thurman did frequently say "Lord grant it" and "Lord have mercy" and once he said "Bill Neal put a bigger chaw of tobaccer in your mouth." This disturbed the congregation greatly.

Down at Holcomb school house near West Fork, Stonewall Holcomb and Robert Rutherford whispered and laughed while the preacher was preaching, they whispered and talked a lot, then when the congregation started singing, the two men joined in with "The squirrels et up the new ground corn....."

FROM READERS

I would like to locate persons related to Earl Chandler (or Earl McDougle), father of Donald Chandler, Box 452, Keystone,Nebraska. This is a long family story but I think he has a sister living in Fayetteville, Ark. She has twin daughters and is a widow, I think. If someone can send me her name and address, I'll appreciate it.
Donald Chandler, Box 452, Keystone, Nebr. 69144

"First Families of Newton County, Missouri" has been compiled and published by Mrs. John Vineyard, 1214 West 27th St., Independence, Mo. This important genealogical work is in two volumes. Volume One, mimeographed, 65 pages, contains abstracts of wills from 1839 to 1869; minutes of County Court 1839-1848; original Land Entry Book, etc. Volume Two, mimeographed, 80 pages, contains marriages 1839-1869; minutes of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church 1837-1869; land entries; genealogical appendix; and Index. Price of each volume is $5. Mrs.Vineyard says "Those interested in Missouri sources are invited to write me." Her address: Mrs.John Vineyard, 1214 W. 27th St., Independence, Mo.

ACCOUNT BOOKS OF THE CANE HILL MILL

Through the courtesy of one of our WCHS members, Miss Kathryn Buchanan of Fort Smith, our Society has custody of eight old account books of the Moore & Pyeatt mill at Cane Hill. The accounts show that the popular brands of flour ground and sold by Moore & Pyeatt were "Gem" and "coarse", although Dr. Thomas Hodges always specified "best patent flour". The mill also sold bran, meal, shorts and screenings, as well as drugs, sorghum, bacon, salt and wool rolls.

Some of the credits make interesting reading. Thus, the following: Two days work at .60. 4 cords wood at $1.25. Ond days thrashing $1. In 1895 A. L. Hosmun was credited $52 for 52 days work at $1 a day.

W.E.Sharp was credited $1.50 for "making a dress for Mrs. Moore and .50 for "making 1 pair pants."

Cilla Garnet did the washing 1 day a week at .50 per day - $13.00

Joseph M. Davis was credited with $5 "on a cow swap."

Jessie D. Skinner hauled 1350 # wheat from Fayetteville, for 2.70.

The following were customers of the Cane Hill mill and have accounts in the old ledgers in 1895:

J.W.Metcalf
J. N. Epperley
Mark McClellan
F. E. Crawford
Henry Henson
Mark Richardson
Ples West
A. C. Tennant
John Rauch
George West
W. M. Lewis
Wesley Bean
Howell Hodge
W. C. Raper
Thomas Latta
Frank Latta
J. P. Carnahan
W. C. Allen
James A. Brunk
Calvin Chambers
Thos. J. Campbell
Rev. James English
H. C. Pyeatt
W.Henry Roberts
R. H. Bean
Jas. B. Patterson
James Ross
J. A. Buchanan
Chas. F. Pyeatt
Lee Blakemore
Audry J. Alberty
Joseph M. Davis
James Yeager
Milton H. Cox
R. D. Key

A. R. Carroll
Chas. H. Hase
Chas. King
Frank Little
Varlile & Co.
Finis Hardy
Rev. F.R.Earle
G. W. Good
W. O. Reed
J. W. Lamb
Wm. Blakemore
C.M.Carrithers
Rev. W. McClure
Yates & Kirkland
S. P. Russell
J. C. Kerby
J. R. Snodgrass
John F. Brewster
W. R. Cusick
F. M. Kidd
James P. Sharp
K. A. Edmiston
Wm. Bush
John W. Roller
W. J. Trout
S. G. McClellan
D. N. Edmiston
C. F. Ruggles
Dr. F. P. Robison
J. & J. Edmiston
J. A. Ferguson
Thos. J. Jones
Cyrus Crawford
George Drake
Elias F. Yeager

Wm. Starr
Frank Roberts
Tim Deffabaugh
C. E. Barnes
Canning Company
F. M. Finley
Wm Tyre Sr & Jr
John J. Reed
Joseph M. Davis
Ollie Metcalf
Robert King
Tom Lackey
Jack McClellan
C. M. Henry
D. T. Glidewell
James W. Scott
John Powers
John F. Long
John T. McClellan
S. D. Stout
Frank P. Henry
Frank Lago
Charles Rich
A. G. West
John Shannon
James P. Crozier
Marshall W. Howell
John Risley
Sam Braley
Nat Adams
W. W. Holden
Chas. King
Thos. Littlejohn
G. Fisk Pyeatt
Jacob Barney

J. R. Pyeatt's personal account in 1895 shows the following expenditures:

To Baggett note	$2,177.50
Pyeatt8s part of Kerby note. . ..	264.00
W.P.Patterson's note..	438.00
33½ acres of land	837.00
Tuition at Lebanon	500.00

Some new names appeared in the 1896 account book, including the following:

E. N. Dunlap	Sam Brockman	Thomas Lewis
N.B. (Dock) West	Isaac Cox	John Birdwell
Rev. J. J. Holland	W. C. Raper	Mark McClellan
David Spinks	Homer Raper	Richard P. Young
John Spinks	John Neal	West & Baird
Baum & Bros.	Clem McColloch	W. S. Trostle
Jefferson Johnston	Thomas Hardin	Jacob Barney

The 1896 account of John Ott was credited with these items:

Chopping 2 cords wood	$1.00
2 months house rent	4.00
1/2 day killing hogs	.40
Cutting 2 logs	.20

The account of Rev. M. McClure had the following credits in 1896:

130# clover seed @ 6	.$13.00
3000# hay @ .50	15.00
503# wheat @ .80.	6.71

New accounts with the Cane Hill mill in 1897 were the following:

Rev. J. H. Maxwell	Ira McCaleb	Carlile & Co.
D. C. Mathews	N. E. Tuel	Will E. Reed
Dr. T.W.Blackburn	R. Y. Shearer	S. G. McClellan

In 1898 G. N. Hanks did 27½ days work in the mill @ $1.50 per day and received credit on his account of $41.62. New accounts:

A. C. Cruse	Clint Howell	John F. Long
Dr. Thos. Hodges	Frank Roberts	C. M. Wilds
A. R. Carroll	Ed Crawford	Sam Powers
W. W. Holden	Mrs. Susan Hagood	J. M. Davis

The following accounts were added in the 1899 ledger:

Joseph Larremore	Geo. H. Morrison	Andrews & Beard
Ewing Scott	Jas. K.P.Kilgore	Holt & Burnes Bros.
Shannon & Cox	Williams Bros.	Theo Howell
Horace Greely	C. C. Crawford	Phyllis King
Booth Campbell	T. A. Dillard	S. P. Russell

On Jan. 1, 1899, the Moore & Pyeatt account book lists 70 delinquent accounts.

(To be continued)

A PICTURE PORTFOLIO OF CAMPUS MEMORIES
from the University of Arkansas

1. Captain M. L. "Footsie" Britt receives the Congressional Medal of Honor in Razorback Stadium.

2. UofA Traveler editor, Bob McCord, receives trophy for his picture of ex-President Truman marching on Little Rock's Main Street.

3. The Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest in 1951 brought many celebrities to Fayetteville, including Vice-President Alvin Barkley and others, including Senator Fulbright, Congressman Trimble, Governor McMath.

4. Senator J. W. Fulbright, one-time president of the UofA, greets President Lewis Webster Jones.

5. W.S. "Pop" Gregson with his gift from the UofA alumni (brief case containing $2,500 in US bonds), presented by C.G. "Crip" Hall, Arkansas Secretary of State, in Razorback Stadium.

6. Helen Fulbright Douglas inspecting the books contributed by Arkansas publishers to the Journalism department as a memorial to her mother. On same page is photo of Mrs. Roberta Fulbright at speaker's table when Marquis Childs was the Press Club speaker.

7. C.G. "Crip" Hall, secretary of state, presenting "Capitol Police" badge to Ernie Deane of the Arkansas Gazette. The other photo on this page shows Governor Sid McMath greeting the Chicken-of-Tomorrow Queen.

8. Dean Morley, revenue commissioner, presents "Arkansas Traveler" certificates, on behalf of the Governor, to two stars of the St.Louis Cardinal baseball team -- Red Schoendienst and Stan Musial. In Razorback Stadium, between halves of a football game.

LETTERS FROM ALUMNI

Our "Campus Memories" have jogged some old-timers into remembering. They have written us some of these memories and we take pleasure in publishing excerpt from their letters. On the following pages are "Campus Memories" from Robert A. Greene, J. L. Erwin, Maedean Henbest Hamilton, Jim Anderson, Charles V. Kappen, Jack Young, Wythe Walker, Wear Schoonover and A. B. Caldwell -- all of whom are UofA lumni.

A VOICE FROM THE DELTA

Enclosed you will find my check to join the Washington County Historical Society. I enjoyed the article about Coach Thomsen's all-star football team. I was in school with many of those boys, so I could appreciate the remarks better than some of these later-day fans who have only recently become Razorbacks.

Much as I hate to correct my old professor, there was one fact that upset me, as an "Eastern Arkansas Delta Mud Rat." Kay Eakin went to the University from Marianna, a little Lee County town some 30 miles from here. You may remember Frank Burks of Marianna. During my senior year at Arkansas, when I was editing the Traveler, Frank showed up one week-end and forced me to accompany him to see Prexy Futrall. Purpose of the trip was to discuss a football scholarship not only for Kay but for his brother Butler. They were playing at Marianna. It seems that Coach Thomsen thought that Kay was a bit too light to stand up under Southwest Conference pounding.

As I recall, Dr. Futrall called Dean Waterman, then chairman of the athletic committee, and said he wanted him to look into the possibility of picking up two good grid prospects. Helena and Marianna always played on Thanksgiving Day and in my senior year I managed to sneak off early and saw that traditional clash. Kay Eakin beat Helena almost singlehandedly, so I was in a position to back up Brother Burks' claim about his ability. For years afterwards I claimed credit for sending Kay to the University but it was really Frank who sold the President, and Dean Waterman dropped a hint to CoachThomsen and the then business manager (B.N.) and they got the message.

Bill Spivey -- we called him "Blue Boy" after a prize-winning hog of that area -- and "Papa John" Measel were all that you have claimed for them. "Papa John" was fighting to get an education and used the football field to achieve it. As I recall, he was a bit older than most of the players and thus had to give that extra emphasis.

As for Jim Benton, he was a freshman in my senior year, and his big brother Footsie had me coaching Jim in freshman algebra. Schoonover, Creighton and Dale were before my time, but I recall Tom Murphy as the coolest quarterback I ever saw and one of the best floor men I have ever watched on a basketball court. Frankly, I think he was a better cager than gridder.

Speaking of Coach Thomsen, you may recall that a movement was once started to "buy out his contract." I got enlisted and was going along with the group. The next thing I heard was that Tommy was on his way to Helena and was going to "stomp" me when he got there. At that time my office was on the second floor and there wasn't any emergency exit. Tommy did show up and we had one of the best talk-fests I have ever enjoyed. He wanted to know if I knew any more "Eakins" or their like in eastern Arkansas and was on an all-out campaign to stop most of our area gridders going to Ole Miss, as was the practice then. It was then that I really got to know Coach Thomsen and still feel that he was one of the best we ever had at Arkansas, or at least the one who appreciated the value of the passing game most.

-- Jack Young,
Daily World, Helena, Ark.

W. J. Lemke, head of U of A journalism department, and Helen Fulbright Douglas, examining books given by Arkansas publishers to the journalism library installed in memory of Mrs. Roberta Fulbright.

Group at a Press Club luncheon on the UA campus. At left, Mrs. Roberta Fulbright, publisher of the Northwest Arkansas Times. Across the table: President and Mrs. L. W. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Marquis Childs. Childs was, and still is, a topnotch news commentator.

JOGGING MAEDEAN'S MEMORY

I am a cover-to-cover reader of the Flashback. My memory of all the good old names in Washington County is mighty slim if you were to ask for them but reading your pamphlet jogs my gray cells and I thoroughly enjoy being reminded of stories I had heard and people I had forgotten.

In reference to the Mt.Comfort Memorial Marker I was quite interested in all that, since my relatives had lived there since 1866. A half-uncle, John A. Henbest, married Susan Cruse, and a half-aunt, Miss Emily Safariah Henbest, married Sol Cunningham. The Sol Cunninghams were prents of Cooey Cunningham who married Bertha Appleby. When I was in grade school I remember well how we would drive over to Mt.Comfort in the surrey and spend the day with Aunt Sue Henbest and at that time I was quite familiar with all the fascinating stories told about the events of that area in the earlier days.

M Mentioning grade school reminds me that I started to school at North (Washington) School in 1919 in the first grade. My teachers at North School were Maegene Ruble Rice Mitchell in the 3rd; Miss Morrow in the 4th, Miss Sunningham (Grace Rowden's sister) in the 6th, and Miss Woody in the 7th. I still remember vividly two songs taught us by Miss Morrow and the dance steps she taught us with "Sweet peas, white; Sweet peas, pink".

If you have not already seen it, the deed to that old Skelton home shown on page 2, October Flashback, is an interesting bit of history. You see, that was our home. When we bought it in 1919 it was owned by a Mr.Boyles who had built another home there, and the old Skelton home was in our driveway. I spent many hours in that old Skelton house which had become a general storage building. My brothers, I remember, made shelves in that old house and collected bird nests over the years and neatly classified them into types of birds or types of nests. The wallpaper on that old house was good for many hours of reading on long summer afternoons -- they were newspapers of about 1860s on, as I remember. Isn't it a shame but eventually my family tore down that old house. The house built by Boyles and in which we lived has been preserved by Mr. Johnson who, I believe, lives there now and owns the Fountain Motel.

It was a wonderful childhood. We never had any money but we had a big wonderful family. How in the world my parents got six of ten children through college (two went on their own to get Ph.D.s and one a Master's) is more than I can understand, even.if we all did have to work either on the farm or at jobs.

The Skelton Cemetery was just to the south of our land on the mountain. Many Sunday afternoons we walked through that tangled bushy area to look at those tombstones. If it was a dark cloudy day I had frightened shivers and made sure I was close to someone else all the time we tried to get around in that cemetery which was so overgrown with vines, grass and trees. To this day, when I read or see a suspense story with its inevitable graveyard, I always visualize that place. However, that was a place where eternity seemed to be present, and we often remarked that something s ould be done to give that enclosed area some care without bringing in the outside hustle-bustle world.

Mrs. G.R. (Maedean Henbest) Hamilton,
415 Oak Glen Drive, San Antonio 9, Texas

HE REMEMBERS PROFESSOR HASTINGS

I note that you are planning an article on Prof. George Hastings in one of the forthcoming issues of FLASHBACK. I should like to pass along a few comments for whatever they may be worth.

First of all, I now realize how fortunate I was, as an undergraduate student at the University, to have had such excellent instructors as Hastings, Mahan, Kessler, Dellinger, Waterman, Gronert, and my chemistry teachers: Hale, Hmphreys, Porter and Wertheim.

One of the first classes which I attended at the University was one in freshman English which met at 8 a.m., a fact which Dr. Hastings didn't like any better than the members of his class. I soon learned that while Dr. Hastings might overlook an occasional dangling pariticiple or split infinitive, he would not tolerate the use of the word "However" as the first word of a sentence. Any student who started a sentence with this word, would have to rewrite his theme in such a way that the word "However" would appear somewhere in the sentence properly set aside by commas. I became so thoroughly indoctrinated that I have never deviated from his directions for the use of "However".

A few years ago I dictated some letters which had to go out. When I returned to sign them, my secretary had departed and I discovered that she had made the fatal mistake of starting a sentence with the WORD. There was no one to retype the letter. I recall, as I took my pen to sign the letter, I offered a silent prayer: "Oh Lord, will You and George Hastings forgive me for what I am about to do."

In our first class with Dr.Hastings, he spent some time in getting us oriented toward the college way of life. What he said had a profound effect. As a matter of fact,my academic and professional life has been based upon his statement. He was trying to interest his class in freshman English and, as a part of his talk, gave his idea of an educated man: a person who does not know all the answers, is not a walking encyclopedia, but is a person who knows where to find the answers (and, of course, how to find them).

This has been most useful to me. I have never tried to memorize any more details than the particular situation might require but I have put together an excellent personal library. My collection of books in my field of microbiology is probably far more complete than most college libraries. So, with the 1,200 or so books which I have around the office, I can usually find the answer. So, I believe I might qualify under Dr.Hastings ' definition of an "educated man".

He may not agree with me, for what was probably our last meeting, he was amazed to see me wearing what appeared to be a Phi Beta Kappa key. Actually, it was the key of another organization, Kappa Beta Phi, a "fun" organiztion something like T.N.E. Came the moment of truth. I don't know if he ever forgave me. But it might change his opinion of me if he knew that, on the basis of my graduate work, I was elected to Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Xi. I would like Dr. Hastings to know that I literally took his advice regarding the qualifications of an educated man and that he really did have a pronounced influence on my academic career.

-- Robert A. Greene

California College of Medicine, 1721 Griffin Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

Joan Walters of Rogers, Ark., is greeted by Congressman Jim Trimble and by Secretary of the Senate Les Biffle in Washington. She was the Chicken-of-Tomorrow queen and toured the country for the broiler industry at the conclusion of the 1951 National Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest finals at Fayetteville, June 11-16.

Distringuished visitors at the Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest in Fayetteville, June 1951. Left to right: Unidentified; Senator Bill Fulbright; Vice-President Barkley; Governor Sid McMath; Congressman Jim Trimble.

SOME EPISODIC PARAGRAPHS FROM AN OLD-TIMER

If the typewriter keys hold out I shall give you episodic paragraphs on many of the people and incidents you have written about in Flashback. I first saw Fayetteville in the spring of 1925. I was a high school debater. The subject was the League of Nations. Next year I came back, but at 16 I was too blase to be impressed by the giddy life. In 1927 I went to Arkansas for real. Prof.French taught Journalism, but Johnny Porter was king of the hill and Fletcher Isbell was the retread who took me under his wing. By the time the year was out, I was writing all of the Traveler, but that's a later story.

Since Journalism was off-limits for freshmen, I signed up for Bible. A week later Virgil Laurens Jones said, "Bible is not for you. Take Newspaper Writing I." I did. From Dean Jones I took Freshman English. D.Y.Thomas taught me American History. Later, after the Fulbright Retirement Rule, he and I spent an hour in the lobby of the Mountain Inn. He (along with Jones and many others) was vitriolic. But D.Y.Thomas on the Monroe Doctrine would be a refresher course for all Americans.

I sigh when I think of Dean Ripley. And of the student constitutions. For some reason the president of the student body elected inthe spring of 1927 was no longer in school in September. There was a special election, George Cole versus Paul Xerxes Williams. I remember participating in a torchlight parade for Paul X. It is not for me to know the Dean's motive in this, but I can assure you that he did manipulate the calling of a special election. In the spring of 1928 he called Chuck Frierson and me into his office to ask that we rewrite the Constitution. We did -- in the most deliberate paragraphs of double-talk ever imposed on innocent students and faculty. Chuck did the thinking and I did the writing.

I was in Philadelphia in the Aviation Supply Office in 1944-45 when news came from New Jersey of Signor Marinoni's death on a bus. I suppose this was my first exposure to shock on the death of a teacher. He was a Majestic Cafe friend.And he had a daughter who played one of the angels in "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room", descending on a fairly complicated set of pulleys in a play I directed for Blackfriars. You won't remember it, but at the Gridiron Dinner that year you awarded me the White Badge of Purity on behalf of the WCTU because of my work on this noble presentation.

I didn't know Henry Tovey but I did know and love Harry and Elizabeth Shultz. Did you ever know about the "Go to College" tours? Four or five youngsters and a chaperone toured the high schools, presenting a piano player, a singer, a speaker and a one-act play. Ashley French and one of the Gold sisters and a couple of others and I did this in the spring of 1928 or 1929. Mrs.Shultz was the chaperone. Among us, we killed vaudeville. Never again was there a tour.

You test my memory on Governor Brough, but I can top you. In spring of 1927 my high school principal, a Mr. Smith, took me on a secret mission. I had no idea what it was all about. Mr.Smith, his wife and I ended up at the old YMCA Lodge on top of Petit Jean, where we were met by the oratorical ex-governor of Arkansas, Charles Hillman Brough, who presented me with the Pearl Pin of the Hi-Y, the first or second ever awarded in the United States. He and I made all the papers. I never saw him again.

James P. Anderson,
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HOW ONE RAZORBACK MADE THE GRADE

Just a line to let you know that I thoroughly enjoy your "Campus Memories". In September 1929 my friend Wiseman was home from his freshman year at the UofA. He persuaded me to accompany him back to Fayetteville. He thought Coach Thomsen would try to help me, financially. So packing my worldlyppossessions in a "please-don't rain" suitcase and armed with a pass -- my deceased father had been a railroad engineer -- we entrained for Fayetteville.

In those days the train left McGehee about 6:30 a.m. and eventually got to Fort Smith about 8 p.m. At that point we would carry our baggage to the Frisco depot and wait until 2:30 a.m. for the Fayetteville flyer.

The varsity football team was in pre-season practice, with a training table in the basement of Hill Hall. I found a mattress in Buck Hall and made it just fine until one day I came back to Buck Hall to find my luggage in the hall -- the regular occupant having arrived. Meanwhile I had decided that I couldn't make it, so I shouldered trunk and grip and headed for the depot. I passed Coach Tommy, who was pulling the hill in a Model A coupe. He took me out to a rich man's home where I was to fire the furnace, rake the yard, baby sit, etc., for room and board. I stayed there about two months and then moved to the Fayetteville Fire House and into the company of such campus celebrities as VanSickle, Buckalew, Secrest and others. FFD -- that was my fraternity for five years.

Had a little trouble getting in school. A Miss Trimble was working in Registrar Kerr's office. She asked me my age. I stated 18 years. She informed me that my high school transcript was insufficient for entrance as my science credits were cancelled -- account of no laboratory. But, she added, "We have a special rule that a graduate of a Class B high school, if 21 years old, can be admitted by special examination; how old did you say you were?" I replied "21". She smiled and I took the exam and got in.

It took $15 to register and another $10 deposit for a uniform. I had the $15 but Coach Tommy had to put up the $10. Thus I launched my skiff on the sea of knowledge -- and please don't say "It promptly sank." I remember most of the old-timers whom you mention. I once tried to extract $25 from B.N.Wilson to pay a student A-Club dance. I was president of the A-Club but had to appeal to President Futrall.

I had several encounters with Dean Ripley. One time someone painted skull & crossbones on the Chi Omega Theater. There was a rumor that I was the Grand Exalted Knux of a certain outlaw group (TNE) that had such an emblem. Dean Ripley invited me to a conference in his office. Thus I became acquainted with several Chi Omega alumnae, including one of the charter members, Miss Holcombe.

Let me say that I had five happy years at Fayetteville. I loved the school, the town and the people. When will the alumni association realize that we old grads would rather hear about (or from) an old friend than receive a brochure about a skyscraper that threatens to overshadow Old Main? I first met WJLemke in 1929 in the Basement of Old Main. My first reaction: He must be a damyankee. After 36 years you are not only forgiven but are, by these presents, paroled, sentence suspended, and pardoned by

(Judge) J. L. "Bull" Erwin, McGehee, Ark.

An ex-president of the University, J. W. Fulbright, meets a new President, Lewis Webster Jones. In the background, Mrs. H. G. Hotz.

SOME REACTIONS TO "CAMPUS MEMORIES"

The October 1965 issue of Flashback has been received and thoroughly digested. Thanks for the nice things you said about me and thegood work you did in my behalf some 36 years ago.

In addition to the sports articles in the October issue I enjoyed particularly the story on Dean Waterman, whom I greatly admired. I remember that in Constitutional Law class one day he asked me whether it was "Moore" or "Dempsey" who brought the habeas corpus action which led to the famous Supreme Court decision. Not having the faintest idea, I guessed "Dempsey." The Dean's reply: "Who ever heard of a negro named Dempsey"? Je told me later that he did not expect me to know the answer, but thought that I could reason better than that. Years later, after I came to Washington, I read an account in the Washington Post of a fracas involving a negro named William Dempsey. That brought to mind the classroom incident. Unfortunately I could not send the article to the Dean, for he had died.

You had only nice things to say about Dean Waterman. It was my impression that the two of you were not exactly bosom friends at the time the Journalism department and Law School shared the basement of Old Main. I had heard that you thought the Dean had put some of the Law School students up to making up some wild stories for passing on to some of the younger Traveler reporters for publication. One story in particular was that related by Leonard Carson with respect to his non-existent experiences as an overseer of a rubber plantation in Brazil. I shared an office with Carson for several years here in Washington (he is now practicing very successfully in New York City) and he always swore up and down that it was entirely his own idea.

The picture of Glee Club singer J.W.Fulbright in the last Flashback, was interesting most of all because of the bushy head of hair.

What I started out to say several paragraphs back is that I find myself interested in all the material in Flashback and read every article religiously.

Wear Schoonover,
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1928 GLEE CLUB

(Editor's note: A.B.Caldwell sent us a poster used by the UofA Glee Club for its concerts in 1928. We plan to publish this in an early issue. Caldwell wrote:)

This is for whatever use you wish to make of it. Anna Mae Chandler, in the center of the group, won the national Atwater-Kent contest on the radio program and went to New York for the final contest. On her left on the picture is Prof. Harry Shultz and on her right is

Yours truly,
A.B.Caldwell,
PO Box 7168, Apex Station, Washington, D.C.

THEY'RE HIS MEMORIES TOO

Please enroll me as a member of the Washington County Historical Society. Forebears on my mother's side of the family -- the Vaughans-- were early residents of Washington County. One Vaughan, my mother's uncle, became a Judge in that county.

But my primary reason for asking for membership in your Society stems from the fact that my old journalism professor at the University plans to write a series of "Campus Memories." Mr. Lemke and I came to the University at the same time -- he as professor and I as a freshman. That was in the fall of 1928. I earned my B.A. degree in journalism five years later -- the extra year necessitated by the crash in October 1929.

Many memories of his, then, may also be memories of mine. Many of the persons he plans to write about were teachers of mine. I had Mary Ann Davis, Jobelle Holcombe and George Hastings as English profs, for example. I also had John Clark Jordan in a graduate course. I enjoyed the first three mentioned very much.

President J.C.Futrall signed my B.A. degree certificate, of course. I interviewed Deans Gladson and Ripley for Traveler stories. I knew Deane Droke very well. My roommate at Mrs.Combs' boarding house on Ida Avenue married his granddaughter, Lucy Waugh. And across the street from us on Ida lived Marinoni and Passarelli. I had Spanish from one, French from the other. And I enjoyed Rosa Zagnoni Marinoni's poetry. I knew most of the newspaper people in the area during the period 1928-1934.

Charles V. Kappen
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FAYETTEVILLE'S IDLE HOUR CLUB

The next time you see Mertye Bagby, ask her does she recall eating remnants of food from the Idle Hour Club. These ladies would meet once a month, in the day time. God, what a racket! Then the men would come to finish off what was left. Then the children of the particular home would top off with indigestion what <u>was</u> left over.

This Idle Hour Club was founded in 1898. So far as I can recall the members were: Emma Coffey, Blanche Healey, Annie McIlroy, Mrs. James H. McIlroy, Mrs. N.B.Wilson, Anna Futrall, Helen Ferguson, Mrs. Kell, Mrs. Walker, Nell Putman, and later, Roberta Fulbright and Emma Barnes.

I am no authority on food. I merely state that there must be something to eating first, as each of these Idle Hour ladies outlived their husbands from 20 to 40 years!

Wythe Walker
347 Madison Ave., New York 17, NY

PRIZE-WINNING PICTURE

The above national prize-winning photograph shows President Truman and Governor McMath marching on Main Street, Little Rock, at a regimental reunion in 1951. For photographer, see picture below.

The photographer, Bob McCord, editor of the Arkansas Traveler, receiving his trophy from Governor Sid McMath and Allen Tilden, editor of the Arkansas Democrat.

NEWS BRIEFS

Our Society has received some valuable historical material from Mrs. Frances R. Sherman M.D. of Martin, Ky. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reynolds, and the granddaughter of Dr. John L. Buchanan, one-time President of the University of Arkansas. Much of the material pertains to Fayetteville's Central Methodist Church, in which the Reynolds family was active. Dr. Sherman sent us many old pictures, which we plan to reproduce in future issues of FLASHBACK.

- wchs -

Looking at the calendar-thermometer on my desk, I note that the Guisinger Music House in Fayetteville was established in 1905. That's 60 years ago. And if the Guisingers want to be included in our historical file, they need only to give us names and dates. Sixty years are 60 years and should be recorded in our local history.

- wchs -

January 2, 1966, will be the 95th anniversary of the founding of the McIlroy Bank, now the "Oldest Bank in Arkansas." January 2, 1966 will also be the 95th anniversary of the establishment of the University of Arkansas. We do not know if the University will observe its 95th anniversary, but the Washington County Historical Society will publish (Jan. 2, 1966) the history of the McIlroy family and its 4-generation Bank.

- wchs -

Miss Mary D. Hudgins has sent us photostatic copies of two old Washington County letters that turned up in her antique shop at Hot Springs. One letter is postmarked "Fayetteville, Ark., June 16, 1843" and was written by Jacob Mills. The other letter is postmarked "Boone's Grove, Ark., March 1, 1852" and was written by Seth T. Mills. The Mills lived on Middle Fork in our county. The letters were addressed to Aaron Mills in Indiana. We plan to publish these letters in the next issue of FLASHBACK.

- wchs -

Our Society erected and dedicated its fourth historical marker of the year on Oct. 31. This marker, placed at the Stone House on West Center St., Fayetteville, commemorates two public-spirited pioneers, David Walker and Stephen K. Stone, as well as the old house itself. Judge Walker built the brick house in the 1840s and sold it to Stephen K. Stone some ten years later. The Stones were living in the house during the Civil War.

At the dedication, W. J. Lemke told the story of the historic house and Jack Reed and Miss Grace Albright added other information about the Stone family. Miss Ruth Morris of our Society has an apartment in the house and visitors were permitted to view her splendid collection of antiques and historical relics, some of which date back to the very beginning of Fayetteville. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Mertye McIlroy Bagby and Mrs. Winnie Ward.

The Society's historical markers are paid for by $1 donations from our members. Plans are already under way to mark historic sites in the County during the coming year. Suggestions are welcome.

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS
of interest to Washington County genealogists

"Layne-Lain-Lane Genealogy", compiled and published by Floyd Benjamin Layne, 2236 San Marco Drive, Los Angeles 28, Calif. 336 pages, well organized, beautifully printed and bound. Layne (Lane) descendants in Va., Tenn., Ky., W.Va., Indiana. Chapter 6 gives descendants of James William Lane who settled in Arkansas and illinois. Write to the publisher or examine the book at our WCHS office if interested.

- wchs -

"Early Records of Nacogdoches County, Texas", compiled and published by Mrs. R.G.Murrie, 3601 Gorman, Waco, Texas. Cloth bound, 150 pages, only 200 copies printed. Price is $7.50 but $10 after Jan. 1, 1966.

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"Marriages of Richmond County, Virginia, 1668-1853", by George H.S. King, 1303 Prince Edward St., Fredericksburg, Va. 22401. Includes 28 genealogical charts, 98-page index, maps, etc. Price $15.

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"Madison County, Arkansas: 1860 Federal Census", transcribed by Ruby Weidman; edited by Frances Woods. 100 pages, heavy cover. Limited printing. $8 each. Order from Mrs. R.P. Woods, 1201 Arcadia, Austin, Texas 78757.

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"1850 Mortality Schedules of Texas" (covers entire state, with 80 counties settled in 1850). 100 pages, over 3,000 deaths listed. Compiled by Frances Woods. Price $8. Order from Mrs. R. P. Woods, 1201 Arcadia, Austin, Texas.

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"Milam County, Texas, Records", by Mrs.John T. Martin and Mrs. Louis G. Hill. In 1874 when the court house burned at Cameron, Texas, all of original records were destroyed. This book attempts to replace as many of the early records as possible. Surname index, offset printing, cloth binding. Price, $7.50. Order from Mrs. John T. Martin, 3227 Ferndale Ave., Waco, Texas.

- wchs -

The Santa Ana Fine Arts Press, PO Box 267, Santa Ana, California,has published "Indians to Industry: A comprehensive history of Orange Co., California", by C.E. and Marilyn Parker. 96 pages, hard cover, with 108 photographs. Price is $4.61 per copy.

- wchs -

The Genealogical Book Co., 521 St.Paul Place, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202, has just published its Catalog No. 212 -- "The South, a selection of basic reference books relating to the Southern states." Among the Arkansas books listed are: Arkansas Historical Association Publications Vol.1-3, published in Fayetteville 1906-1911, $17.50; Edrington: History of Mississippi County, $10; reprint of Goodspeed's "Reminiscent History of the Ozark Region", $17.50; Jennings: Pioneer families, Texarkana, $10.

- wchs -

Governor Sid McMath greeting Joan Walters of Rogers, who had been elected Chicken-of-Tomorrow queen at Fayetteville in June 1951.

The late C. G. "Crip" Hall, Arkansas secretary of state, pinning a State Capitol Police badge on Ernie Deane, the "Arkansas Traveler" of the Arkansas Gazette. The lady is Mrs. Deane. All three are U of A alumni. This is one of the happiest photos in my experience. —WJL

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MEDAL OF HONOR FOR BRITT

CAPTAIN BRITT,
WIFE, MOTHER AND BROTHER

CAPT. M. L. "Footsie" BRITT
wearing Congressional Medal of Honor

Medal of Honor was presented to the U of A graduate in Razorback Stadium.

Photo at left shows trooping of the colors by the Rainbow Division.

"Footsie" got his degree in journalism and I was proud to have been one of his teachers.

—WJL

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W. S. "Pop" Gregson receives gift from alumni and friends. The brief case contained $2,500 in US bonds. Presentation made by the late C. G. "Crip" Hall, secretary of state, between halves of a football game in Razorback Stadium. In center, W. J. Lemke who introduced Secretary Hall who, of course, did not need any introduction to an Arkansas audience.

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The Summer 1965 issue of The Arkansas Family Historian, published by the Arkansas Genealogical Society, Box 587, Conway, Ark., contains a history of the Pless family, two Johnson County cemetery lists; and 49 queries (requests for family information). Write to the editor, Mrs. Dolores Murphy, Box 587, Conway, Ark.

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I read with a chuckle your comment that "Woodruffs are hard to handle." I guess that has to include me, since I'm half Woodruff. When you need to know about Rhea's Mill and Prairie Grove history, you should ask Mack F. Thompson, Box 251, Prairie Grove, a 1908 UofA graduate. When Mother's brother, Clarence Woodruff, came home to Arkansas for the last time (he died a few years later) to celebrate the 50th anniversary of his graduation from the UofA, he renewed his friendship with this truly remarkable man. This was June of 1958, and they corresponded until my uncle's death. Since then, I've received many interesting letters from him. He was best man at my parents' wedding, and stayed with the Woodruffs when they kept house in Fayetteville in order to attend the University.

Elizabeth McGill Cover,
1350 Edson Drive, Beaumont, Texas

ARKANSAS TRAVELERS

Dean Morley, Arkansas Revenue Commissioner, presents "Arkansas Traveler" certificate, on behalf of the Governor, to Red Schoendienst (left) and Stan Musial (right) between halves of a game in Razorback Stadium. The other man is an official of the St. Louis Cardinal baseball team.

LETTERS FROM READERS

I am interested in the history of Washington County, since I am one of the descendants of the Billingsley family that was one of the earlier families settling in that county. If you know of any other information I might be able to obtain on the Billingsleys, I would be deeply appreciative. You publish a very interesting publication and I am quite enthusiastic about it.

-- James Hughes, Borger, Texas

Enclosed find $2 for another copy of the History of Tontitown. I had an interesting experience. I buy peaches for one of the name brand canneries. One of the men who sub-constracts hauling for the companyis Pinalto. During a conversation in my office I learned he was from Tontitown, Ark. I told him I had the history of Tontitown. You should have seen his face light up. He wanted it the worst way, so I gave it to him. His grandfather and many people he knew were pictured and it was like a visit home for him. Keep up the fine work you are doing.

Wayne C. Keeney,
R. 6, 2917 Floyd Ave., Modesto, Calif.

If you have a list of your out-of-print publications with Civil War interest, I would be glad to have it, for I have been trying to do a bibliography of locally printed Confederate material during the Centennial. It looks like making it complete is impossible.

R. H. Porter, Box 38, Austin, Tex. 78767

Thanks for the information about the Son's Chapel Cemetery. We now believe that Samuel Craig Crawford must have moved away from Fayetteville in his last years, approximately 1890. All of the children also left Arkansas by that time. My father, John Wesley Crawford, moved into Texas along with his brother, Elbert Crawford. They went into Houston. One of the brothers went to Quinton, Okla. It is quite possible that grandfatherSamuel Craig Crawford and grandmother Elizabeth Harrow Crawford went to Quinton. That will be our next move to "look".

R. S. Crawford,
201 N. St.Marys St., San Antonio, Texas

I am gathering data to be used in the compilation of my family genealogy; items such as photocopies of war service records, schools attended, and information found in county histories. I would like to include the history of the Sophia Sawyer School at Fayetteville. My great-grandmother, Julia Ann Stout, attended Miss Sawyer's school during her teens: she later married John "Babb" Cheshire. If your Society has published information about the school, what would the cost be of having this information photocopies? I lived in Fayetteville 1936-1950.

Mrs. Cora M. Smith (nee Cheshire)
1923 E. Norma Ave., West Covina, Calif. 91791

Comes a letter from Mrs. E. L. Hurlock, PO Box 459, Siloam Springs, Ark., telling how much she enjoys FLASHBACK. She is the daughter of Mrs. Anna Tillman Boyd, who was our neighbor on N.College Ave. when the Lemkes came to town in 1928. Mrs. Hurlock says that her brother, D. T. Boyd of Joplin, has been collecting data on the Boyd family for a number of years and wants information on how to go about getting this family history published in book form.

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THE SECRETARY SAYS:

This "bonus" issue of FLASHBACK is another example of the extra values made possible toour members by the volunteer unpaid work of the staff, the sale of booklets and back issues, and the generosity of interested members. For we spend well beyond the $3 membership dues in getting Washington County history to you.

Small contributions of a dollar or more paid mostly -- but not altogether -- for the four historical markers erected in 1965. We do not break even on the historical booklets, but we do preserve significant history for future reference. Another member of the Society, J. K. Gregory, recently brought in his check for $100 in support ofour work.

Now every WCHS member can give meaningful support to the Society and get a good bargain in local history in one or more of these ways:

Send in your 1966 dues of $3 without waiting for a bill. This will save postage and allow us to decide on the right print order for January. Or, if you do not intend to continue, please let us known soon. Already we have more than fifty renewals for 1966. Membership cards will be mailed out toward the end of this year.

Order one or more of these booklets of Washington County history: History of Tontitown, $2; The Story of the Hermanns of Old Hermannsburg (Dutch Mills), $2; The Winslow Methodist Church, $1; and the Walker Family Album, $3.

Get Civil War booklets while our small supply lasts. These include: "Dear Parents", the Shibley brothers' letters, at $2; Edward Gee Miller: His War, at $2. We also have a few copies of "Wartime Letters of A.O.McCollom", at $1; Mecklin Letters, $1; "Solomon Tuttle and His Descendants", $2.

Order a 13-year Index to FLASHBACK for 1951-1963 for a detailed topical index of articles, authors, and lists of cemeteries, postoffices, and references to family history -- a few copies left at $3. We plan to prepare annual indexes for 1964 and 1965 at 50¢ each if there appears to be a demand.

Collectors may find rare issues among the "out-of-print" booklets that have been given to us, as well as a goodly number of back issues of FLASHBACK. Write for items you are specially interested in; or order the Index listed above and locate the items you want.

After all, we are concerned with only one thing -- to bring the history of Washington County and its people to you in attractive and permanent form. In the coming months we will have more of Campus Memories, Marriage Lists, Church Records, and local and family history that make up the heritage of our community.

Washington County Historical Society,
Deane G. Carter, secretary

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